GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4437
ANSWERED ON:29.03.2017
ISSP
Rajoria Dr. Manoj

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has achieved the objectives of Indian Statistical Strengthening Project (ISSP);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated for the said project during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
[SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA]
(a) & (b) The India Statistical Strengthening Project (ISSP) now renamed as Support for Statistical Strengthening (SSS) aims at improving the statistical capacity and infrastructure of State Statistical Systems for collecting, compiling and disseminating reliable official statistics for policy planning at the State and Sub-State levels.

Since 2012-13, the scheme is being implemented in 14 States, namely, Karnataka, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Bihar, West Bengal, Kerala, Mizoram, Sikkim, Rajasthan, Odisha, Jharkhand and Manipur. In 2014-15 the state of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand also joined the scheme and funds were released to them in 2015-16.

In these 16 States, the implementation of the Scheme has resulted in improvements in the respective Statestatistical systems, due to activities/outputs such as, Compilation of local level statistics, creation of integrated State databases, type studies and surveys to address data gaps on State Income Estimates, compilation of core indicators such as Consumer Price Index (CPI), State Index of Industrial Production (IIP), etc., activities such as reviews of Line Departments, workshops, training programmes for statistical personnel, awareness campaigns for statistics, formation of technical/experts groups, strengthening of Physical and IT infrastructure etc.

Thus, the objectives of the SSS have been achieved in most of the implementing States. The Scheme is now being extended to another 17 willing States/UTs of the country.

(c) The details of the Budget provided under the scheme in the last three years, and the funds released to the States, in the last three years, is at Annexure.